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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 3, 2002  
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

This paper is being filed in response to the final Office Action mailed on May 3, 2002, in connection with the above-captioned application and in connection with a request for continuing examination. Applicants respectfully request continued examination of this case in view of the following amendments and remarks. Paragraph numbering used in the remarks section of this amendment and response corresponds to the paragraph numbering used in the final Office Action mailed on May 3, 2002.